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Master's a 'haul' or help?

◆ *Some employers
'want you to be a
specialist,' one graduate
student says*

BY JULIE GRUNDY

Some job interviews you don't forget. Tod Young certainly didn't, and he took the message he got that day to heart.

A bachelor's degree just isn't what it used to be.

"It seems like everyone has their bachelor's these days," Young said. "In the interview, they referred to it as 'one of them.' It's like you go to Kmart and pick it up."

Young completed his undergraduate work in sociology and psychology at Western in August 1993. After taking a semester off, he started work on his master's, which he should complete by May.

"It's been a long haul," he said, "but it was something I needed to do, partially because I felt a master's was needed to help me in the job market and partially because I wanted to see if I was up to the challenge."

Young was like a growing number of soon-to-be undergraduates who get worried when it's almost time to walk the line.

And though he doesn't mean to play down an undergraduate degree, Young said, a lot of employers "are expecting a whole lot more out of you these days. They don't just want you to be good at what you do, they want you to be a specialist."

What employers want

Carol White, assistant director of Career Services, said employers' expectations are just as diverse as Western's students.

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EDITOR'S HOTLINE

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The way home: Hopkinsville freshmen Latoya Cobb (left) and Katicia Greene share an umbrella while walking to Gilbert Hall around 10 p.m. Saturday.

'C' proposal faces final exam from regents

BY MELISSA GAGLIARDI

After several amendments and much debate, the Board of Regents will have the final say Friday on changing Western's course repetition policy.

If OK'd, students will be able to retake 24 hours of classes regardless of the grade. Only six of those hours will be allowed to be C's or above. The proposal will go into effect this fall if passed.

The Student Government Association presented the original proposal, which asked that students be allowed to retake 24 hours to the Academic Council last year.

The Academic Council passed a resolution in November, and Robert Haynes, vice president for Academic Affairs, endorsed the resolution Dec. 1, "with some degree of reluctance."

"I held it up," he said. "I'm the bad guy." Students entering Western during or after the fall semester will only be allowed to repeat 18 hours, with a maximum of six being C's or above, said James Heldman, chairman of the Academic Council. He wasn't sure why there was a difference between current students and those starting in the fall and after.

Haynes had originally been against the proposal but changed his decision after the policy was revised to affect 18 hours.

Haynes said he didn't understand why students would retake a class in which they got a good grade, and C's aren't that bad in his opinion.

"They're only bad because we've made them that way," he said.

Haynes said there is an "alarming misunderstanding" that bad grades are erased if a class is retaken. The original grade a student made will still be on their transcript, including any classes dropped or withdrawn from.

"You're just kidding yourself," he said. "It's still on your record."

Haynes said if everyone is a star, there is no way to distinguish the average from the outstanding students, but "by retaking a class you're admitting you're not a better student."

Allowing students to retake any class reduces the incentive to do well the first time, he said.

Students were originally allowed to retake classes only in which they received a D or F.

"They can retake an A, but I don't think they

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RIGHT PLACE, RIGHT TIME: Graduate pilots 'Stealth' bomber

BY SHANNON J. LEONARD

He didn't dream of flying planes as a child. His parents didn't see him take a particular interest in planes either.

No one knew that Bowling Green's Steve Basham would become an Air Force captain and one of four pilots in the nation to train to fly the B-2 "Stealth" bomber.

Basham graduated from Western in 1987 with a degree in electrical engineering technology. He said he would occa-

sionally drive to the Bowling Green airport to watch planes come and go, but it was not until he saw his brother-in-law graduate from pilot training, during Basham's sophomore year in college, that he really began thinking about pursuing a career in aviation.

One of Basham's former teachers at Western, engineering technology professor William Moore, said he remembers Basham as being a good student who applied himself well.

Moore said he is "very proud of his accomplishments and wish him well. You're always proud of any student who does real well."

In August 1988, Basham completed his Flight Screening Program and then went to Officer Training School in San Antonio, Texas. At Laughlin Air Force Base in Del Rio, Texas, he first learned to fly the T-37 and T-38 jet aircraft.

"It's good to serve your country, and I chose to do it through the Air Force," he

said.

In recent years, Basham has been flying B-1B aircraft at Ellsworth Air Force Base in South Dakota. He began co-piloting the planes, then advanced to aircraft commander.

The B-1B is an attack plane known for its maneuverability, especially at low altitudes. It is difficult to catch on radar and has a large bomb capacity.

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Speak your piece

The state legislature convened Tuesday in a special session. **1-800-372-7181:** Leave a message for a legislator. **1-800-633-9650:** Listen to meeting schedule.

Spring arts calendar

◆ A comedic opera, an evening of dance fill your schedule with Western's upcoming productions and exhibits
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But No. 4 is on the Lady Toppers' minds; Louisiana Tech visits Sunday
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Tara Cosby

♦ Just a second

Driver arrested after car wreck

A drunken driver hit five parked cars on Big Red Way early yesterday morning, totaling her car and at least two others.

Kimberly Ann Herrington, Cemetery Road, was arrested and charged with second-degree driving under the influence, a first-offense driving on a suspended license for a previous DUI and leaving the scene of an accident. She was released from Warren County Regional Jail on \$567.50 cash bond.

After the accident in front of Kentucky Museum, Herrington drove to the heating plant on Dogwood Avenue, where she left her car.

Her passenger, Brian Anthony Embry, Old Scottsville Road, was arrested and charged with alcohol intoxication after he was found in McCormack Hall lobby. He was treated at The Medical Center at Bowling Green for minor cuts on his face and head. He was held at Warren County Regional Jail, where he was released after five hours.

♦ Campus line

Habitat for Humanity meets Thursdays at 4:30 p.m. in Downing University Center, Room 349. For more information, contact Deana Cronch at 745-3229.

College Republicans meets at 6 tonight in DUC, Room 308. For more information, contact Joshua Nelson at 745-3085.

Alpha Phi Alpha sponsors a lecture, "Blacks on Predominately White College Campuses," at 7 tonight in DUC, Room 341. For more information, contact Raymond Brown at 745-2516.

Campus Crusade for Christ sponsors a lecture by Adolph Coors IV at 8 tonight in Grise Auditorium. For more information, contact Greg Schuntz at 758-9496.

Campus Ministries International meets at 8 tonight in DUC, Room 230. For more information, contact Lori Dennis at 745-3224.

Fellowship of Christian Athletes meets at 8 p.m. Thursdays. For more information, contact Richard Brannin at 745-5101.

Students Right to Life meets Mondays at 5:15 p.m. For more information, contact Mike Scott at 781-2220.

A support group for nontraditional students meets Tuesdays from 11:45 a.m. to 12:45 p.m. For more information, contact Patti Collins at 745-3159.

Residence Hall Association meets Tuesdays at 4:30 p.m. in DUC, Room 341. For more information, contact Leslie Kriss at 745-3073.

LDSSA/Institute meets Tuesdays from 7-9 p.m. in DUC, Room 309, and Thursdays from 7-9 p.m. at The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints on Cave Mill Road. For more information, contact Jim and Desi Taylor at 781-0827 or Stephanie Wiles at 745-3113.

♦ Clearing the air

Due to a printer's error, a photo in last Thursday's Herald was printed upside down.

What's it like getting \$140 a month cash at Bowling Green Plasma Center?

I'll tell you. My name is Jeff, I'm 23 years old and a senior History major. I'm a real person with relationships, a puppy and overdue books. And I'm an experienced plasma donor.

What's it like donating plasma at the Bowling Green Plasma Center? Better than you think and smoother. A good plasma center will take care of you, letting you know and feel how important you are to them. They only want the healthiest donors. They give you an exam. The U.S. government is looking over their shoulder with rules and inspections. Because blood plasma is a big, important thing, there is a terrific shortage of it in the world. It saves lives. Those are the reasons they pay us for it. The sad thing is not enough people will donate it freely. So, we get this good money for doing a good deed.

Bowling Green Plasma Center on Old Morgantown Rd. (where else) is not only my favorite plasma center because it has a happy, considerate, college educated staff, they also prefer college students and understand us. It is an encouraging place...they make it nice and convenient to study while you're donating. You can talk, read or just dream. It's easy.

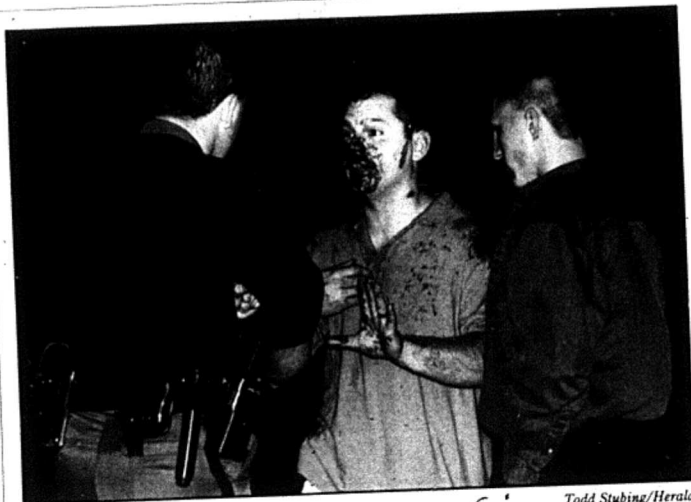
What happens to you there? You lie down on a big soft lounge chair...get a pin prick...here's where you can study or talk to your friends or meet some new ones. (Nobody's a stranger there more than 5 minutes.) After 60 minutes, you're up and away with cash in your hand smiling. That's about all there is to it.

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Todd Stubing/Herald

Assault: Breckinridge County freshman Michael Thomas talks to campus police Officer Gordon Turner after being assaulted near Barnes-Campbell Hall Saturday night. Campus police have a lead on a suspect in the investigation. Thomas was treated for cuts on his face and released from The Medical Center at Bowling Green.

♦ For the record/crime reports

Reports

♦ Stephen Ray Smith, Louisville Road, reported that someone stole his denim jacket, valued at \$100, from Cherry Hall. It was taken sometime during the holidays after he left it in a classroom.

♦ Marcia Mary Collier, Normal Drive, reported that someone followed her Friday

while she walked through the Russellville Road lot. She said she ran into the Services-Supply Building and locked the door.

♦ A New Sorority Hall resident reported receiving harassing phone calls between Jan. 6 and 13.

♦ Jim Wayne Kelly of the College Heights Bookstore reported that \$209.62 was missing from a cash register Jan. 12.

♦ Leslie Lorraine White, McLean Hall, reported that she was hit with an unknown object while she jogged at 4 a.m. Sunday between Wetherby Administration Building and Potter Hall. She said she stopped and saw a male within a few feet of her. She struck him with a wooden baton and quickly left the area. White received a bruise on the right side of her face.

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MASTER'S: 'It's a whole different ball game' now

CONTINUED FROM FRONT PAGE

"It all depends on who you're talking to and at what time," she said. "But generally, employers want someone with specific training in an area and strong communications."

"They want someone who can be a team leader and a team player, someone with adaptability and flexibility," she said. "More than anything, I guess they want someone with a desire and willingness to learn, because learning just doesn't stop when you get your degree, no matter what kind it is."

Overall, she said, the job market is looking favorable this year.

That means more students may have a better opportunity for jobs with undergraduate degrees. But don't count on it.

"What students need more than anything is practical experience," White said. "That can't be stressed enough. Get out there and learn your field hands-on. Otherwise, your job search is going to be a tough one."

Annette Horras has seen plenty of recent graduates come looking for a job with TransFinancial Bank. As the regional human resource manager for Southcentral Kentucky, she said practical experience is a must.

"It's very advantageous for students to have an internship before they come looking for a full-time job," Horras said. "You have to be more than just a student, you have to be a good employee at the same time. All schools, I think, should assist students with that."

That's good news for Hawesville senior Sara Glover, who will graduate in May with a community health degree.

Though she might one day go to graduate school, her plans now are focused on a summer internship.

"We're spending this semester working on jobs and things," she said of herself and classmates. "We want to go to work."

A growing trend

Around 2,200 graduate students are enrolled in Western during a given semester, most of whom are associated with programs in education, Graduate Studies Dean Elmer Gray said.

"For them, it's not an option really," he said. "They are required by state law to continue their education. Of course, they're rewarded with salary increases and such as they go along."

Outside of the education field, however, more companies are starting to pick up the tab for graduate studies.

"Business and industry have recognized the need for more education," Gray said. "Because of that, they don't mind helping students out when it comes to financing. With a graduate degree, you're able to specialize — to define yourself. That's what employers are looking for."

Don't be scared

Young will admit that the thought of a few more semesters on campus can be scary at times, but it's something you'll get

MASTER'S DEGREE NOT ALWAYS NEEDED

Men in Kentucky with master's degrees generally make less money than people with only bachelor's degrees.

MALES	30	AGE	50
High school graduate	\$46,500		\$21,000
Associate degree	\$21,500		\$25,500
Bachelor's degree	\$26,100		\$37,200
Master's degree	\$25,700		\$35,100
Doctorate or professional degree	\$35,400		\$60,300

FEMALES	30	AGE	50
High school graduate	\$7,300		\$8,800
Associate degree	\$12,700		\$13,200
Bachelor's degree	\$13,800		\$11,700
Master's degree	\$17,800		\$19,700
Doctorate or professional degree	\$22,400		\$23,200

Source: The Long Run Economic Impact of Kentucky Public Institutions of Higher Education, University of Kentucky Economics Department

over, he said.

"Grad school is three-fourths commitment, and once you learn that, your road is paved," he said. "There's this great shift from learning for tests to learning for your field. It's a whole different ball game at this stage."

Even Young will agree, however, that graduate school is not for everyone. And while he's encouraging many of his friends to attend, he remains a big proponent of doing what's right for you.

"For me, this was it," he said. "I've proved something to myself, I think, and feel pretty optimistic about my future. I feel like I've opened a whole new world of opportunities. At

least I hope I have."

As for master's degrees, Horras said, still, the most important thing is the work experience.

"What I've seen in the past is that if students get their undergraduate degree and get some experience on the job before returning to college for a master's," she said, "then they're more focused and that helps them in achieving whatever it is they really want out of a job."

Young says many students are still under a big cloud of misconception.

"We've been warned that we're not going to be handed a job when we get out," he said. "but we still expect it. We need to wake up and start working for what we want."

Advanced degree doesn't mean more money

BY JULIE GRUNDY

A graduate school degree might not get you everything you hoped for these days, according to a 1993 study by economists at the University of Kentucky.

The study showed that men with master's degrees in Kentucky generally make less than men with bachelor's degrees.

The study also found that women and blacks earn a substantially lower amount than do men and whites in any given year.

One reason why men's incomes took a slight fall after earning their master's may be because of their new occupations, according to the report. Many chose to pursue a master's degree in the fields of education or social service — two areas with great emotional value, some say, but not a great income.

For some people, however, money isn't the point.

"It all depends on what you're looking for," Graduate Studies Dean Earl Gray said. "Many would rather be happy going to work every day knowing what they do is for some good rather than just to make some money. That's where the difference lies."

Bowling Green graduate student Todd Young said graduate school is about more than potential earnings.

"It's about opportunity. I think more than anything else," he said. Overall, however, the studies — based primarily on census data and a statistical analysis of the figures — found income increases with education level.

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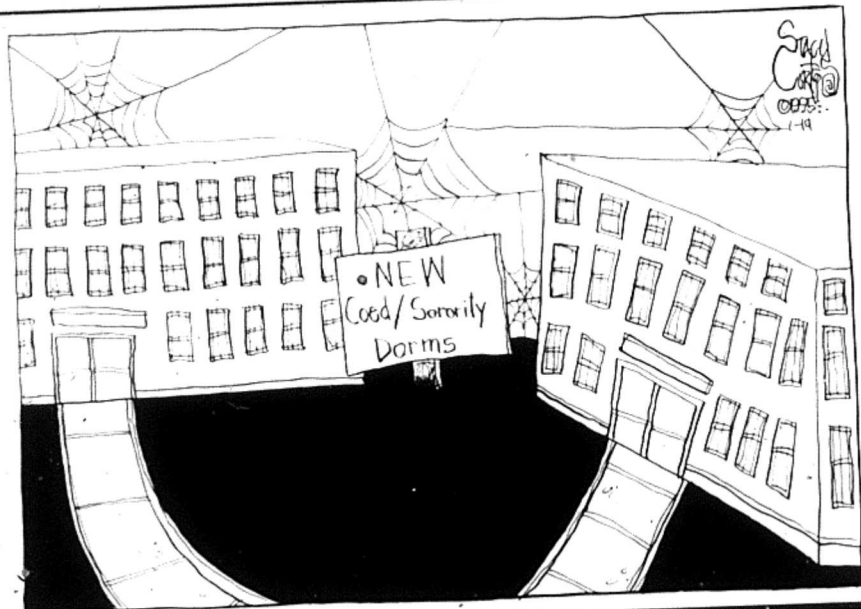
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♦ Our view/editorial

'New' dorms need 'honorable' names

Despite opening two and-a-half years ago, the two dorms at the bottom of the Hill remain nameless.

How much longer can we call them New Coed Hall and New Sorority Hall? They aren't so "new" anymore.

President Thomas Meredith said he hasn't had time to suggest new names — he's got so much on his plate right now. And we agree, he is a busy man. So we thought we'd keep the process from becoming "dorm" ant and make a few suggestions.

The policy for naming buildings says that Western "seeks to preserve the memory of persons who have made exceptional contributions to the University."

It continues further that "decisions on naming are generally deferred for a period of one year following the death of a proposed honoree."

But apparently, death isn't the standard criteria at Western.

For example, the Preston Health and Activities Center was named in honor of Raymond Preston, an alumnus who contributed a major portion of the construction costs for the building. Preston is a current Board of Regents member.

The policy says honorees should have distinguished themselves through scholarly efforts, major contributions to construction projects, or by bringing honor to Western and the state through outstanding public service to the state or nation.

Western has plenty of distinguished alumni to fit the bill for the new dorms — just look at the members of the Hall of Distinguished Alumni. Some are deceased, and some are still making names for themselves and making

Western proud.

Here are a few people who deserve the honor:

♦ William Natcher, the 1930 Western graduate who represented Kentucky's 2nd Congressional District for more than 40 years. He never missed a roll-call vote, and his string of votes totaled 18,401. He also was chairman of the House Appropriations Committee from 1992 until his death in March.

♦ Cordell Hull, who attended Western's predecessor, Southern Normal School in Bowling Green. He was secretary of state under Franklin Roosevelt. In 1945, he was awarded the Nobel Peace Prize but was too ill to accept it in person. He died in 1955.

♦ Judge John S. Palmore, chief justice of the Kentucky Supreme Court in 1966, 1973 and 1977 to 1982. He served on the court for 23 years.

♦ Your view/letters

Preston Center policy unfair

I'm writing in response to the guidelines or rules established by the Preston Health and Activities Center concerning who is and is not allowed into the facility.

I'm a recent graduate who recently decided to enroll in my first graduate course. This semester, I'll only be taking one three hour class. The current rule is that an individual must have at least six hours (in a graduate program) to be allowed into the Preston Center.

Why is someone with three graduate hours not allowed into the facility? I've paid over \$300 for this class, and it seems that this should be enough to allow me to use the Preston Center. It's money such as this which helps to fund the development of such a facility.

I was told by a Preston Center employee that people who only have one class aren't allowed in because some of them may just take a class so they could have use of the Preston Center.

I really question the validity of this point. How many people would actually go to the trouble of enrolling in a class at Western just so they could use the Preston Center? I really don't think that it would be that many.

However, even if people did that, there could be a "check system" to allow only certain students to get in, and I feel that someone in my position should be allowed in. In other words, I am a "legitimate" graduate student, and I am not a person who would simply enroll to get into the Preston Center.

As a former student athlete at Western, I feel that I've paid my "dues" to Western and I should, in return, receive the privilege of getting into the Preston Center.

On several occasions, I was unable to play basketball in Diddle Arena because I was forced to leave because of a game, practice or an upcoming event that was getting ready to occur.

In conclusion, I'd like to say that I am submitting this letter to bring attention to this matter, and I'm not simply complaining. Whether I have three hours or 18 hours, I'm still a student at Western just like anyone else. I feel I deserve to get into the Preston Center, or at least have the opportunity to pay a small fee, to get in.

I would greatly appreciate consideration of my concern and I would be happy to talk to anyone about it.

Bernie Howard
Bowling Green graduate student

'Dismayed' with faculty regent

In response to Faculty Regent Ray Mendel's Jan. 12 letter to the editor, we certainly want to encourage him in his self-described "...efforts to raise the institutional priority placed upon the entire instructional budget, including faculty salaries." He complained, however, that in our Dec. 8 letter we "grossly overstated" the president's percentage increase. A gross percentage increase? Yes. Overstated? No.

According to Western's official 1993-94 budget, which is readily available for all to examine, the president began that academic year with compensation of \$103,008. A few months later, the figure had been kicked up to \$116,496, presumably to take care of entertainment expenses. The 1994-95 budget shows him earning \$125,000. That's an increase of \$21,992.

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♦ PEOPLE POLL: What should the new dorms be named?

"I think they should definitely name one for Coach Oldham. He's the only coach that's left them to the Final Four. Plus, he's a great professor."



—Jon Kirby,
Bowling Green senior

"I don't know. If they get enough money from someone they should name it after them. I don't think there's an obvious choice."



—Brian Coy,
sophomore from
Boston, Ky.

"It should be someone who's done something great and done good things for our country."



—Lori Doolin,
Glasgow freshman

"If they could find someone who did a lot — maybe a hall director in the past that was very active."



—Regina Johnson,
Central City junior

January 19, 1995

♦ Point/counterpoint

Greeks are misrepresented and misinterpreted

To be Greek or not to be Greek. That is the question. So what's the answer? For me, it was to be Greek.

I enthusiastically entered the world of foreign letters, golden lavaliers, plush toy mascots, social extravaganzas and a plethora of newly related kin my freshman year.

Through eager freshman eyes, I saw a sorority as an opportunity to meet, mingle and even click with other women on campus in addition to the three familiar faces accompanying me to West ern.

I eventually made some of the most intriguing and wonderful friends that college ensures you, while unexpectedly gaining leadership experience through officer positions.

Now, Greeks seem to be viewed in either a positive or negative fashion. There seems to be this ongoing uneasiness

between some Greeks and non-Greeks based primarily on stereotypes rather than individual personality types.

Sometimes an individual is too quick to judge the actions of another person by tracing his inappropriate and ill-mannered behavior back to his organizational affiliation rather than his dysfunctional character.

This is merely a personal problem.

After being exposed to such redundant comments and concerns as "Sorority girls carry bags with their letters on it because they're insecure," "Do you own a different bow for every day of the week?" and the ever-so-elusive "So, you buy your friends," I become rather ticked off, especially when I think of my personal preferences, which apparently contradict some people's stereotyped images of Greeks.

First, I carry a backpack as opposed to a Greek letter embroidered bag, simply because it is more durable, comfortable and reliable. Second, I

The media tends to distort the actual image of Greeks into a world of humorous exaggerations.

I don't recall watching "Saturday Night Live" on PBS. Some people tend to rely on these prevaricated portrayals of sorority and fraternity life as being completely accurate, when in fact, it is simply released for entertaining, non-educational purposes.

Now isn't that silly. Not only do sororities and fraternities serve as social networks, but they also serve the community and university through various deeds and events, including philanthropic work and community service.

Many Greeks are highly involved in campus related non-social organizations including Spirit Masters, academic clubs, honor societies, Student Govern-

ment Association and student publications.

Banding together because of common ties bound by secrecy, Greeks tend to appear cliqueish and standoffish. They share the secrets of their rituals and sayings, constituting the foundation of their unique ties, like children sitting the tips of their fingers and rubbing the blood together. I assure you no blood is drawn in any ritualistic Greek ceremony. (Now, fraternity parties may be another matter.)

Individuality remains unmasked as long as you allow it to be revealed. Being associated with a group does not constitute the bandwagon effect unless you succumb to conformity.

To be your own person or not to be your own person. Isn't that the true question?

Editor's note: Lisa Meyer is a senior advertising major from Nashville.



Lisa Meyer
♦ Commentary

have not been partial to bows since I was in elementary school and had a cute jumper to match. Finally, I buy lots of things — food, books, clothes — but I have never encountered a friend attached to a price tag.

Greek life 'not a part of my college experience'

I was introduced to the Greek alphabet as a freshman. I saw Greek letters plastered all over T-shirts, sweatshirts, baseball caps, underwear, pencils, bumper stickers, dorm windows and virtually all other tangible objects.

I also learned that a person's name could be substituted with Greek letters. For example, a sorority girl might say, "Susie Sue is a KD."

I would love to see a fraternity that bore the Greek letters Zeta Iota Tau. I could just imagine a frat boy standing tall and proud as he said to himself, "Hey, I'm cool, for I'm a ZIT."

For some students, fraternity and sorority life is a valuable part of what's called the "college experience." But Greek life is not for me, and the following are just some of the reasons:

♦ The degradation — When you join a fraternity, you are often referred to as a "pledge." And all those who bear this coveted title get to do the dirty work around the frat house.

Who scrapes up the vomit after the big frat party? The pledges. Who rakes the leaves and trims the hedges in an effort to prove their loyalty and devotion to their "brothers"? The pledges.

I think friendship is based on mutual respect and caring, and I do not want to be forced to prove my loyalty to any social organization.

♦ The partying — Now, I like to drink a few beers just as much as the next guy. But I think it's safe to say that Greeks tend to abuse alcohol more than independents.

A study published in "Psycho-

logical Reports" found that younger members in Greek organizations had the higher amount of problem behaviors due to



Alex Rose
♦ Commentary

alcohol abuse when compared to independents.

♦ The conformity — Remember the old high school clique, where all the members of the group looked, talked, thought

and acted like one another? The fraternity or sorority is the college equivalent of the high school clique.

Although there are exceptions, my general impression is that Greeks tend to embrace conformity rather than individuality. (Now the sappy hippy, alter-natrash counterculture grunge kids are also conformists — but that will be the subject of a future commentary.)

♦ The violence — Geez, people, what is with the baseball bats and the beatings? Greek violence is on the rise at Western. If something isn't done soon, College Street could turn into a ghetto.

I plead with fraternities to take the advice of the great spokesman of our age, Rodney King. "Can't we all just get along?"

Now, Greeks are not all bad

There are some stunning sorority girls out there. (But please, girls, leave your floppy bows with your junior high school memorabilia.)

But in all seriousness, there are many intelligent, caring and interesting students who belong to sororities and fraternities, and it would be a shame not to be friends with someone because of his or her social organization.

I have several friends who are Greek, and the other writer on this page happens to be a close friend of mine.

But for me, wearing a cap with two or three Greek letters on it is not part of my "college experience."

And besides, I'm not too handy with a baseball bat.

Editor's note: Alex Rose is a senior psychology major from Nashville.

♦ Your view/Editor's Hotline

People Poll statement shows 'ignorance'

I'm referring to People Poll and the issue concerning, "How does Martin Luther King's message apply today?" I'm referring to the message by Brent Duncan, and it is totally appalling what he's saying that the King holiday applies more for black society a lot more than whites in their generation.

That is a totally ignorant statement, I never met some body that had such an ignorant

statement at all.

First of all, Martin Luther King applies to all Americans, but he just happens to be a leader who happened to be black who was fighting for liberties of all people — minorities, all around, Indians, excuse me, Native Americans and other ethnic groups, and to say that this applies just to black people is totally offensive and that King's message applies to everybody.

I suggest Mr. Duncan take some more of an attempt to go out there and read more on black history because he needs to learn a little bit more than what he does because he's really showing his ignorance on this article right here.

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in 12 months, a raise in excess of 21 percent.

As dismayed as we are with this percentage, we are equally dismayed that our recent failed to see it, acknowledge it or comment upon it. And now he apparently denies that it ever happened. Why?

The real thrust of our Dec. 8 letter, incidentally, concerned the university's practice of instituting salary procedures without including equal representation from the various academic ranks. We would hate for that issue to be lost in someone's defense of his own and others' hefty percentage increases.

Walker Rutledge
English assistant professor
John Reiss
English assistant professor

Public Broadcasting should take some cuts

The questioning of government support of public broadcasting has caught me in the middle. I am a supporter of public TV and radio, but I also support what the new Congress is trying to do. Before we draw verbal swords and do battle, there are a couple of questions we need to ask. The "Sesame Street" characters and "Barney" have produced a tremendous amount of revenue through the sales of toys, games and etc. Has any of this wealth been returned to

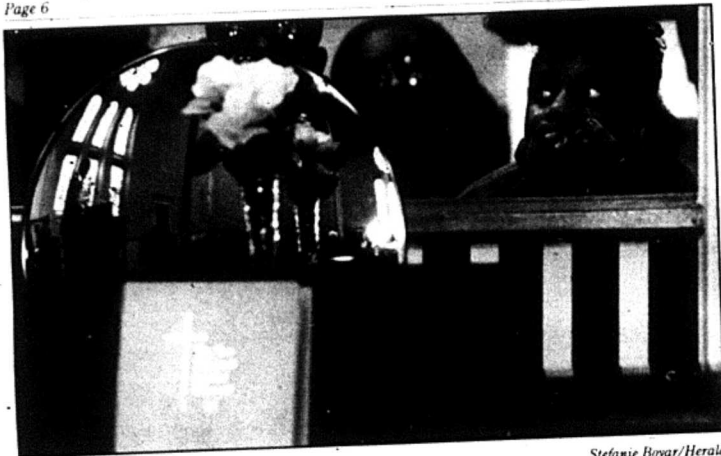
public broadcasting?

Twenty-five years ago, when PBS was in its infancy and only three commercial stations were on the air, there was a need for that type of programming. Today that is no longer true. You can see The Discovery Channel, The Learning Channel, C-Span, and Arts and Entertainment, and now a new History Channel is being presented in some areas. All these programs are equal or better than programs on PBS. The time may be here for privileged groups to be weaned off the federal government because the sugar test is going dry.

Jerry Johnson
Night manager
Downing University Center



FAREWELL TO A GREAT ENDEAVOR.



Stefanie Boyar/Herald

Tiashia Greer, 12, of Bowling Green listens to the Eleventh Annual Martin Luther King Jr. Program at State Street Baptist Church on Sunday. The program honored King's 66th birthday.

MARCH: King's sacrifices 'opened doors'

By Sherry I. Wilson

People leaned toward one another, and some bent down to light others' candles during a ceremony at Downing University Church honoring Martin Luther King Jr.'s birthday Monday.

Every candle was wrapped in aluminum foil as about 50 students, faculty and Bowling Green residents marched up the Hill to Van Meter Auditorium for King's celebration program at 7 p.m.

People stopped along the way to help others relight their candles, and voices lifted as some sang "We Shall Overcome" and "Down By The Riverside."

Bowling Green resident Prince Mack said the celebration attracts the community because there is a special remembrance here.

"I come out to celebrate and to try to honor Dr. King because he's the only African-American to achieve such greatness," he said. "The sacrifices he's made has opened doors for our own."

In 1964, King received the Nobel Peace Prize for his work in peaceful activism and made his "I Have a Dream" speech, which proclaimed his hope for further progress in blacks' rights.

Although King was assassinated, his words live on, said the Rev. Felix Williams, who delivered the program.

Williams compared the story of Joseph's attempted murder in the Bible with King's assassination. He said Joseph's brothers tried to destroy his body but they could not destroy his dreams. King's dream cannot be destroyed either, Williams said.

"His dream for freedom will be wherever there are oppressed people," said Williams, who is pastor of Mount Calvary Baptist Church in Lexington. "It lives in the need to give attention to those who are suffering in poverty and have a lack of health care coverage."

In recent years, King's dream has often been forgotten, he said.

Williams read Langston Hughes' poem

"Montage of a Dream Deferred," and asked the audience "what happens to a dream" that isn't followed through?

"The problems with deferred dreams is that they can turn into nightmares," he said. "Dr. King urges us to stand up and say 'thanks,' to hold on for freedom, and fight the fight for freedom and die for freedom."

Also during the program, Radeliff senior Marshall Crawford read his monologue "A Conversation With Dr. King," in which he asked King questions about today's black people.

Crawford said black people are mothers, fathers, daughters, brothers, aunts, uncles and sisters. They are also lawyers, writers, teachers, among other things, and even dreamers.

"Why don't we understand this, Dr. King? Why?" he said. "We made it through slavery, we've been downtrodden... we are overcomers."

The program, which about 100 people attended, was not restricted to just blacks.

"As a celebration, it is not just a black thing," said Rebecca Maldonado, Student Health Services educator. "When people are truly dedicated to the collective cause, things get done."

Maldonado had recently been to Memphis, Tenn., and toured the Civil Rights Museum there. She said that it was during the last part of her tour that she got to walk inside King's personal exhibit.

"This individual was truly a very spiritual human being, as we all are," Maldonado said. "As people of color, we have a tremendous responsibility for everybody. It is through our suffering and pain that we will know victory."

King's birthday means something different for everyone.

Paris senior Erica Bolling said she sets aside the King holiday for the inspiration of the singing and lectures that she attends.

"Just to hear about the things he (King) did in the past motivates me to do better," she said. "He's (Williams) from Lexington, and I live close to there. He's just a big inspiration."

Western passes test after 3 years

By Karin Lowe

After more than three years of evaluation and 27 recommendations, Western has received reaccreditation from the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools.

The decision was made Dec. 13 at SACS annual meeting in San Antonio.

Accreditation means that an institution meets certain standards set by the Commission on Colleges.

English professor Joe Glaser wrote Western's three volume, 800 page reaccreditation report.

"It was intense at times, but at other times there wasn't anything happening," he said.

Glaser, who served as composition director, said the 27 recommendations dealt with 100 required standards such as Western having at least one full-time faculty member to each program, which it was lacking in four. The four programs, offered as associate degrees through the community college, were Office Systems Technology, Banking, Real Estate and Retailing.

Glaser said a lot of the recommendations said the relationship between the university and community college needed to be clarified.

The Commission on Colleges of SACS is responsible for accrediting schools in 11 southern states, from Louisiana to Virginia, and in Latin America. Schools are reaccredited for 10 years.

SACS, which only accredits institutions as a whole, is divided into groups which deal with public and occupational schools,

and colleges and universities.

"I'm elated," President Thomas Meredith said. "This is our biggest accreditation because the whole institution was at stake."

Glaser said the accreditation standards deal with having the sufficient educational resources to support a program, which range from setting certain graduation requirements to rules on accepting transfer credits.

Glaser said those who graduate from unaccredited schools may have a harder time getting jobs after graduation.

In fall 1991, Meredith appointed a steering committee to oversee the re-evaluation process.

Re-evaluation consisted of taking standard committee reports from 100 units, such as major offices and academic departments, and combining them into one institutional report.

The final draft of the self study was submitted to SACS in Dec. 1993.

Glaser said SACS sent a visiting team from different schools to check the self study, conduct interviews around campus and write their findings in late Jan. 1994.

Robert Haynes, vice president for Academic Affairs, said an update or interim report has to be submitted after five years stating that the standards are continuing to be met.

"We are a citizen of the community of universities," Glaser said. "It's not a stamp of approval but kind of like a union card."

"I'm elated... the whole institution was at stake."

— Thomas Meredith
Western president

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Professor: 'Is Communism dead?'

◆ *Hugh Phillips uses first-hand knowledge of Russia in his teaching*

BY AMANDA DAVIS

Imagine crime-infested streets with few policemen. An economy which is nonexistent, and only the necessities can be afforded. The former Soviet Union has become a land of chaos.

This is the country that history professor Hugh Phillips has seen on numerous visits since the fall of the Communist government.

"It is psychologically exhausting," Phillips said. "The people can afford few luxuries."

Phillips is teaching a course called "The Rise and Fall of Communism" this semester. It was developed two or three years ago specifically for the honors program, said history department head Richard Troutman. Phillips has always taught the class which currently has seven students.

The class focuses on the philosophical views of the Socialist governments in the former Soviet Union and China and is usually for seniors or graduate students, said Honors secretary Carol Calamaio.

Also discussed is the highly debated theoretical reasons about why the Communist government collapsed in the former Soviet Union, Phillips said.

"It came as such a shock," he said. "No one predicted that the country would disintegrate on Christmas Day in 1991."

Phillips draws from his experiences in the former Soviet Union for his lectures in this class and "Twentieth Century Russia."

Phillips, who speaks Russian, questioned people during his visits about the new government. He found that the older citizens, particularly one taxi driver, preferred



Alex Jennings/Herald

History professor Hugh Phillips is teaching "The Rise and Fall of Communism" this semester. He has made several trips to the former Soviet Union, gathering various artifacts while there.

the Communist government.

Phillips stressed that it is a divided country where many of the Communist ideas are still followed, although a majority of the people do not want to go back to the old government.

In his lectures Phillips asks, "Is communism dead?"

He has been to the former Soviet Union six times, most recently this summer. His first visit was in 1974 after receiving the trip as a college graduation present.

For four months this summer, he lived in the city of Tver, Russia while conducting research on a Fulbright grant. He spent long hours in the archives studying the Revolution of 1917. A presidential decree had recently allowed government documents to be disclosed. Many of the files he needed had been destroyed dur-

ing the revolution, making research difficult, he said.

For fun, after long hours at the archives, he would meet with a comrade at Tver University or with people in his apartment complex.

Also, parties were held at his apartment building. During one of these parties, someone entered his apartment and stole his watch and several checks.

The demise of the Communist government has caused the crime rate to rise. Many gangs have formed, and journalists and Parliament members are killed regularly, Phillips said.

He was robbed twice and once awoke to find two intoxicated men beating at his door.

"It was depressing to be a prisoner in my own apartment," Phillips said.

Fire engulfs engine, student's car totaled

BY KRISTINA GOETZ

A fire started in a car behind South Hall on Saturday night.

Melissa Lahrs, a sophomore from Rock Hill, S.C., owns the 1986 Mercury Cougar LS and said she had an idea of what caused the fire.

"I got a new alternator put in about a month ago," she said. "I've had a lot of problems with it in the past. It may have been something around the alternator that started the fire."

Campus police Officer Terry

Scott said he and another officer tried to put out the flames with fire extinguishers but were unsuccessful. After about 10 minutes, firefighters had the situation under control.

Scott said the flames were contained by the fire wall in the engine compartment and were not allowed to spread.

Sgt. Ron Madison of the Bowling Green Fire Department also responded.

"It's hard to determine what caused the fire, whether it was elec-

trical or a fuel problem," he said.

Lahrs said that when she was returning from the mall she smelled something that she thought was the heater. When she got back to campus, she called her mother to say she needed to take the car to the mechanic.

"The car didn't make it that long," Scott said.

Kay Lahrs, Melissa's mother, said the car was totaled and that an estimate of the damage will be made this week.

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PFT residents to get new lift

◆ **Elevator replacements costing \$400,000 will start in May**

By TONYA ROOT

Slow, squeaky elevators that drop quickly and skip floors are giving students in Pearce-Ford Tower headaches.

Even though some administrators say there are no real problems, the elevators will be replaced for about \$400,000 this summer.

Resident Director Kit Tolbert said the problems are "nothing out of the ordinary," but students like Ft. Knox senior Daniel Davis disagree.

Davis said the elevators may take as long as 15 minutes to reach some floors above 20.

Louisville sophomore Mike Fassler said, "I've been late for classes because I've had to stand around waiting for an elevator."

Fassler said he and other students were stuck between floors in one of the elevators last semester for about 15 minutes. The elevator didn't have an intercom to call for help, so they pried the doors open enough to yell for help.

Angie Rieder, residence life complex director, said problems are to be expected in buildings the size of PFT.

Facilities Management Director Kemble Johnson said he's not surprised with the elevator problems.

But Johnson said that lack of money has kept the elevators from being replaced sooner.

Versailles freshman Vicki Logdon said the university should get new elevators before something bad happens.

Somebody always makes a joke about how unsafe they feel while riding in the elevators, Fassler said.

But Johnson said safety is not a big issue as long as the elevators are used properly. Their replacement will start in May and should be completed by the fall, Johnson said.



Alex Jennings/Herald

Pearce-Ford Tower residents wait in line for the elevators on Monday. Two of four elevators were working.

Preston pool reopens after another set of leaky pipes is fixed

By KIM LAMASTUS

Life in the Preston Health and Activities Center has returned to normal now that the pool and hot tub reopened Tuesday at 6 a.m.

"You would think that life stopped on the Hill when the pool broke down by the number

of calls we got," said Debby Cherwak, director of intramural/recreational sports.

Matt Cornell, graduate assistant in charge of aquatics, said the problem with the Preston Center pool started in December.

"There was a crack in one of the plastic pipes, and the ordered part

got here late because of it being so close to Christmas," he said. "The glue used to repair it didn't seal and another pin hole occurred, so the whole assembly was taken out last week to be fixed."

Kemble Johnson, Facilities Management administrator, said the pool was closed so the sealing

could stick. He said the pool repair cost between \$800 and \$1,000.

"The PVC circulating water line was repaired with a cement glue that has to seal completely before any pressure can be put on it," he said. "We opened the pool back up too early before."

The pool was closed in January

1992 because of leakage problems caused by the new building setting, but Cornell said the pool is made well and the more recent problem was just a mishap.

Cornell said the hot tub was closed over the holiday break because there weren't enough people to use it.

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RETAKE: Regent says she'll support policy

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would," Heldman said.

At the University of Kentucky, Murray State, the University of Louisville, and Eastern Kentucky University, students can retake any class.

Staff Regent Joy Gramling said she expects the policy to pass when the board votes Friday, and she is for it.

"Students may get in a bind and not do as well. They need to have that opportunity, as long as it's not an unreasonable amount of hours," she said.

Nortonville freshman Stephanie Huddleston said she's always wanted the policy changed.

"If you're willing to pay the money and put forth the extra effort, I don't see why they shouldn't let you," she said.

Edmonton senior Angie Ennis said it is great that the policy may be changed.

"I definitely think you should be able to retake classes," she said. "I have had to, to bring up my GPA to get into the education program."

Ennis had just transferred from UK and was surprised stu-

dents couldn't retake Cs or above.

"If it would help me, I would," she said.

Eddyville freshman Mandy Palmer disagreed. She said Cs shouldn't be considered bad enough to merit retaking a class.

"If you want a grade higher than a C, you should have put forth the effort in the first place," she said.

SGA Vice President Tara Higdon said, "It is to the benefit of the students... It took a lot of work to get it passed."

Regents' agenda

The board will meet Friday at 8:30 a.m. in the Regents Room of Wetherby Administration Building.

"We'll basically be hearing about a more detailed budget for the fund-raising plan and talk about what we do from here in terms of reaching final approval for Moving To A New Level," Meredith said.

The fund-raising plan was first brought to the board last October by Robert Rutledge, vice president for Institutional Advancement.

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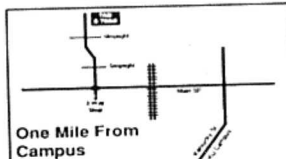
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BOMBER: 'A shock at first'

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In May 1994, Basham decided to send in a "package," or a detailed outline of his Air Force career, to Whiteman Air Force Base in Knob Noster, Mo., to apply for the chance to fly the B-2 "Stealth" bomber.

"I put in a package not thinking I had a shot," Basham said.

But in September 1994, Basham was notified that he was one of 20 candidates selected to move on to the interviewing process for the job.

In October, Basham and the other candidates met with Whiteman AFB's wing commander for personal interviews and went through a Weapons Systems Trainer. He described it as "a 30-minute crash course" on how to operate the B-2. Prospective B-2 pilots were given the chance to try out a B-2 flight simulator as well.

Soon afterward, Basham was notified that he was one of the final four pilots chosen to fly the B-2.

"It was a shock at first," he said. "I didn't think it would happen all these top-notch people were looking for new jobs, so the competition was tough. I guess I was in the right place at the right time."

Basham plans to go to Whiteman Air Force Base in April and start his four months of academic training in July. He

said he thinks his first flight in the B-2 will take place in November.

The air force has four B-2s in operation, but plans to have a total of 20 bombers, Basham said. According to various issues of Aviation Week and Space Technology magazine, the B-2 costs over \$2 billion each.

"It's definitely going to be a challenging aircraft and a front-line bomber," he said.

Basham's mother, Alpha Basham, said she is proud of her son's selection into the program.

"It's what he wants to do and we're proud of him," she said. Steve Basham said that every one should experience the thrill of flying.

"I would dearly love to take every person in the world flying and say, 'Look, this is how it is, but I know I can't,'" he said.

Basham said he plans to fly the B-2 for a while and to upgrade to a B-2 instructor pilot.

"I'd also like to do a tour in Washington, D.C., at the Pentagon," he said.

Basham said he looks forward to the challenges facing him in his future as a B-2 pilot.

"There's a million things about flying that aviators say they love — but it's not a dull life," he said. "It keeps us constantly challenging ourselves."



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Bowling Green senior Chris Young and Bowling Green sophomore Alexis Combs practice their lines as "Dr. Cuckrowicz" and "Catherine" while cast members watch. The play, "Suddenly Last Summer," will be at Gordon Wilson Studio 100 from Feb. 7-12.

With a Tennessee Williams play, a hand-printed art show and a comedic opera, the fine arts departments are kicking off a new season.

Sitting cross-legged in front of a small stage, wearing a black scarf with small white skulls on it tied around his head, Rob Berry yells, "Stop!"

The actors on the stage listen as he tells one of them to move faster when he crosses the stage.

Berry does this with the diplomacy one would expect from a professional director — but he's not a professional, he's a student.

And so are the actors. They are rehearsing the final scene in Tennessee Williams' "Suddenly Last Summer."

The Louisville senior said he was a little intimidated about directing a Tennessee Williams play, but his intimidation was swept away once rehearsals started and he saw how well his cast could handle their characters.

"It's going to be good, and it's going to surprise a lot of people because Tennessee Williams is difficult to grasp, but we do," he said.

The plot centers on the death of Sebastian, the son of Violet Venable. Catherine, Venable's niece, knows the truth about Sebastian's death and the life he led. Catherine's mother, played by Kara Cantrell, a junior from Ridgeway, Tenn., and brother George, played by Mt. Sterling sophomore Israel Greene, are trying to stop Catherine from telling the truth about Sebastian for fear they will be disinherited.

Bowling Green sophomore Alexis Combs, who plays Catherine, said it's difficult to play the part because her

character is so complicated.

"She has a story to tell that no one wants to believe, but I believe her," Combs said. "But I have to stay on that fine line of believing her and making her sound crazy."

Combs said she spent a lot of time trying to get to know her character.

Alicia Wheeler, a freshman from Gallatin, Tenn., said it has been easy for her to get into her role of Violet Venable.

"I really like her because it's fun to play someone who is so evil and manipulative," she said.

theatre & dance

Performances in Russell H. Miller Theatre include:

◆ "Round and Round the Garden," April 4-8, 8 p.m., April 9, 3 p.m.

◆ "An Evening of Dance, 'Lullaby of Broadway,'" choreography set to Broadway musicals, April 19-22, 8 p.m., April 23, 3 p.m.

Student productions in Gordon Wilson Studio 100 at 8 p.m. include:

◆ Tennessee Williams' "Suddenly Last Summer," Feb. 7-11, 8 p.m., Feb. 12, 3 p.m.

◆ Aaron Sorkin's "Hidden in this Picture," Feb. 20 and 21.

◆ Edward Albee's "The Zoo Story," and David Mamet's "The Shawl," March 6 and 7, 8 p.m.

◆ Paul Selig's "Terminal Bar," and Landford Wilson's "Ludlow Fair," March 27 and 28, 8 p.m.

◆ Tennessee Williams' "Lady of Larkspur Lotion," and Steve Wilmer's "Scenes from Soweto," April 10 and 11, 8 p.m.

Art department busy, too

The art department has an exhibit of contemporary prints in the fine arts center gallery.

"The prints are part of a collection owned by the art department that haven't been on exhibit for several years," said Leo Fernandez, head of the art department.

"You won't find any of these in art history books, but they are still very important works," he said.

Fernandez said the prints are hand-printed and represent several traditional techniques including woodcuts, lithographs, etchings and silk screenings.

"Artists generally prefer hand-printed because they are more involved," he said.

The collection features works donated to the art department by artists and art professors from other universities.

One of the prints includes a lithograph depicting a dramatic scene in black and gray of Jesus being crucified while his followers look on.

The print show will be on exhibit until Feb. 10.

The art department also is preparing for its 34th Annual WKU Juried Student Exhibition, which will begin Feb. 17.

Fernandez said students submit their art to a juror, usually an art professor, from another university.

The juror selects the pieces that will go in the exhibit, and the student with the best work wins a cash award.

"We do this because it gets the students used to how a professional artist goes about getting their works into galleries," Fernandez said.

This year, the art department has chosen Joe Molinaro, an art professor at Eastern Kentucky University, to jury the show.

Fernandez said they usually choose a juror from a regional university because it would cost more to bring someone in from farther away.

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Story by Mitchell Quarles

Photo by James Glover II

FINE ARTS: Juried exhibit, opera scheduled

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George Vitorovich, a senior from Queens, N.Y., said he is entering some art work. His work was on exhibit last year.

"One thing I'm submitting is a drawing called 'A Postcard from the Beach,'" he said. "It's a combination of mediums with a portrait and a surreal landscape."

arts

Exhibits in fine arts center, room 221 include:

- ◆ Collection of contemporary prints on exhibit, now to Feb. 10.
- ◆ 34th Annual WKU Juried Student Exhibition, Feb. 17-March 8.
- ◆ A sculpture lecture and exhibit by Suzanne Adams, an artist from Louisville, March 24-April 14.
- ◆ Senior Exhibition, a collection of works by Western art students, April 20-May 3.

Music to the ears

Voices caught in the middle of love and war move the plot in Jacques Offenbach's comedic opera "The Grand Duchess of Gerolstein."

The opera is the combined effort of the theatre and music departments.

The comedy begins when the Dutchess finds herself attracted to one of her soldiers, a reluctant Fritz played by Lebanon sophomore James Arnn. In hopes of winning him over, she promotes him from a private to a general.

This hormone-driven promotion foils the plans of her soon-to-be ex-general Boum, played by Lewisburg senior Chris Baker, and the Baron Puck, played by Timothy Sexton, a sophomore from Cecilia. Unbeknownst to the Dutchess, Boum and Puck have devised an easy to win war-against some small coun-

try and an arranged marriage to a prince.

Director Jerrold Pope, a music professor, said he chose a comedy because he thought it would be a nice way to introduce the audience to opera.

"This opera also accommodates the voices that we have because it gives all the principal characters a chance to shine," he said.

Marie Sanfratello, a graduate student from Deer Park, N.Y., said playing the role of the Dutchess is fun because she gets her kicks out of using men in the military. She is sharing the role with instructor Sherri Phelps.

"She just wants Fritz because he's the new guy, she's very playful and she uses men," Sanfratello said.

Music

Music department programs include:

- ◆ "The Grand Duchess of Gerolstein," Feb. 24-25, 8 p.m., Feb. 26, 3 p.m.
- ◆ A symphonic band concert, Feb. 27, 8 p.m., Downing University Center.
- ◆ Western Jazz Band concert, April 10, 8 p.m., Garrett Ballroom.
- ◆ University Chamber Singers Concert, April 11, 8 p.m., the fine arts center Recital Hall.
- ◆ University Band Concert, April 20, 3:45 p.m., Western amphitheater.
- ◆ Western Symphonic Band Concert, April 25, 8 p.m., Van Meter Auditorium.
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This Weekend

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Little Women, PG, 7 and 9:30 p.m.

House Guest, PG, 7:15 and 9:20 p.m.

Richie Rich, PG, 7:15 and 9:20 p.m.

Far From Home, PG, 7:10 and 9 p.m.

1.Q., PG, 7:30 and 9:30 p.m.

Plaza Six Theatre

This Weekend

Demon Night, R, 7:15 and 9:15 p.m.

Higher Learning, R, 7 and 9:30 p.m.

Legends of the Fall, R, 7 and 9:30 p.m.

Jungle Book, PG, 7 and 9:15 p.m.

Dumb and Dumber, PG-13, 7 and 9:15 p.m.

Murder in the First, R, 7 and 9:30 p.m.

Martin Twin Theatre

This Weekend

Lion King, G, 7 and 9 p.m.

The Professional, R, 7 and 9 p.m.

New Releases

Movies

Wolf, R
The Shadow, PG-13
The Mask, PG-13

Music

Van Halen - Balance
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Too Short - Cocktails

New Rock 92 Top Ten

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2. Stone Roses - Love Spreads
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4. Simple Minds - She's a River
5. Dillon Fence - The Right Road
6. Liz Phair - Whip Smart
7. Fleming and John - I'm Not Afraid
8. Millan and Kenzie - Heaven
9. Pearl Jam - Nothingman
10. Nirvana - Dumb

Live Music

Around Town

Tonight

Nervous Melvins, 9 p.m.

Thursday's

Lost River (electric), 8 p.m.

O'Pawley's Pub

Brennan Graves, 9 p.m.

Smothers' Bistro

Riddle Road, 9:30 p.m.

Baker Street Cafe

Envy Estate, 9 p.m., Gary's

The Only Alternative

Grave Tones, 10 p.m.

O'Charley's

Friday

Drugstore Cowboys, 9 p.m.

Thursday's

Lost River (acoustic), 8 p.m.

O'Pawley's Pub

Dreadful Lemon Sky, 9 p.m.

Smothers' Bistro

Moral Chain of Custody, 9:30 p.m.

Baker Street Cafe

Fender Benders, 9 p.m.

Gary's: The Only Alternative

Saturday

Almost Noah, 9 p.m.

Thursday's

Gypsy Lizards, 8 p.m.

O'Pawley's Pub

Michael Gough Group, 9 p.m.

Smothers' Bistro

Restless Festus, 9 p.m.

Baker Street Cafe

Oz Ball, 9 p.m., Gary's: The Only Alternative

Louisville

Jan. 27

George Jones, Palace Theatre

Jan. 30

Nanci Griffith, Macauley Theatre

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January 19, 1995

OZ BALL: 'Act crazy, who cares!'

◆ Event hosted by Western graduate will feature regional rock bands

BY CHRIS HUTCHINS

As the wizard trailblazes a route from Nashville to Bowling Green, people spread the word. First as secret whispers, then as shrieks among the townsfolk. As he draws nearer, the natives, who were happy to be rid of him just two years ago, hold town meetings to discuss the unbelievable... the unimaginable... the inevitable.

Oz is back. Western graduate James "Oz" Schureck will host the first "Oz Ball" Saturday night at Gary's The Only Alternative on Adams Street.

The ball, which Schureck (nicknamed "Oz" for his likeness to rock vocalist Ozzy Osbourne) promises to be a "crazy, insane time," will feature live music from regional rock bands, door prizes and lots of audience participation. He hopes to make the ball a monthly event.

"We want to have a kind of a party atmosphere instead of people just going into a club, sitting around, drinking, watching the band and then just leaving," Schureck said.

During his years at Western, Schureck hosted many parties.

Schureck said he promoted these parties as "Bare as You Dare," and people came wearing as little as possible. He said women showed up in boxer shorts and bras and some men showed up with only a single, strategically-placed sock. By the end of the night, clothes were strewn everywhere.

Louisville junior Michelle

Mason said that she had been to several "Bare as You Dare" parties and said they were a lot of fun.

"I don't really know how to describe them," she said. "Oz's parties were the best parties I had ever experienced while I've been here at Western. Everyone there was comfortable with (going to the parties) - it was just like, 'Act crazy and who

"I remember the law showed up one time and everyone had to leave in our underwear. It was great."

— Stan Hodges
Glasgow junior

cares!"

Schureck said the parties were pretty crazy.

"The rugby team would show up just wearing their jock straps. But by the end of the night, those would be around their heads," he said.

Stan Hodges, known to his rugby teammates as "Junior," said he remembered Schureck's parties well.

"I remember the law showed up one time and everyone had to leave in our underwear. It was great," the Glasgow junior said. "When the law showed up, they weren't mad - they were laughing."

Schureck said he will be trying to get that same feeling for the "Oz Ball."

The event will feature two

Nashville bands: Who Hit John and The Excuses. Door prizes will include CDs, T-shirts and one winner will get a year's supply of condoms.

After discussing plans for the ball with the bar's manager, Kim Mason, Schureck took the job and called some friends.

Morgan, a disc jockey at Nashville radio station WKDF, agreed to emcee the event. Planned Parenthood donated the condoms for the door prize.

One of the keys to the ball's success will be spontaneity, Schureck said.

"Whatever the mood of the night is, I'm going to go with it. Getting the crowd to interact is what I'm going for here," he said.

Mason said a big topic of conversation at the bar is the main door prize.

"Everyone seems to be debating on what a year's supply of condoms is," she said. "I've heard a lot of jokes in the pool room like, 'If you won, you'd only get two!'"

Schureck said the winner will take home more condoms than that.

"I'll probably give away around 200 condoms, but I'll give my assurance that if the winner runs out of those, they can call me and I will personally deliver another 200 to them," he said.

Bowling Green junior Jason Martin said the "Oz Ball" sounds like a lot of fun.

"It definitely sounds interesting, especially since it's on a Saturday night," he said. "Saturday nights are normally dead around here."

Louisville sophomore Tracey Woods said, "It sounds like a lot of fun and could be worthwhile, but since I go home on the week ends, I don't think I'm going to stick around for it."

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♦ **Movie review**

'Legends' doesn't fall short of expectations

♦ **Anthony Hopkins and Brad Pitt star in 'Legends of the Fall.' It is rated R.**

★★★★

BY STACY WILLIAMS

Big, blue skies, snow-capped mountains and rolling hills provide the backdrop for "Legends of the Fall." This film is not only full of beautiful "Out of Africa"-like cinematography, but also beautiful people and performances. Brad Pitt ("Interview with the Vampire") and newcomer Julia Ormond top the list.

This turn-of-the-century American saga involves the Ludlow brothers and the woman they love. Their father, Colonel, convincingly played by Anthony Hopkins, is a decorated war hero who rejects the United States government after seeing the mistreatment of Native Americans.

After losing his faith in the government, Colonel moves his family to the Montana wilderness. He raises his three sons, who grow up full of love for one another, even though Tristan, played by Pitt, is Colonel's favorite.

The real story begins when Samuel, the youngest brother, played superbly by Henry Thomas ("E.T.") brings home his fiancée, Susannah (Ormond). Instantly, all three brothers fall in love with the enchanting Susannah, the only thing that will test their love for one another. Ormond's performance is first-rate. She holds her own with the impressive veteran cast.

When Samuel decides he must enlist to fight the Germans in

World War I, against his father's wishes, Alfred, the eldest brother, played by Aidan Quinn and Tristan enlist to protect him.

This is the only place in the story where the plot is a little predictable — everyone knows naive Samuel will not make it back from the war. In some of the most realistic and disturbing war scenes since "Full Metal Jacket," he dies in Tristan's arms. Of course, Alfred blames Tristan.

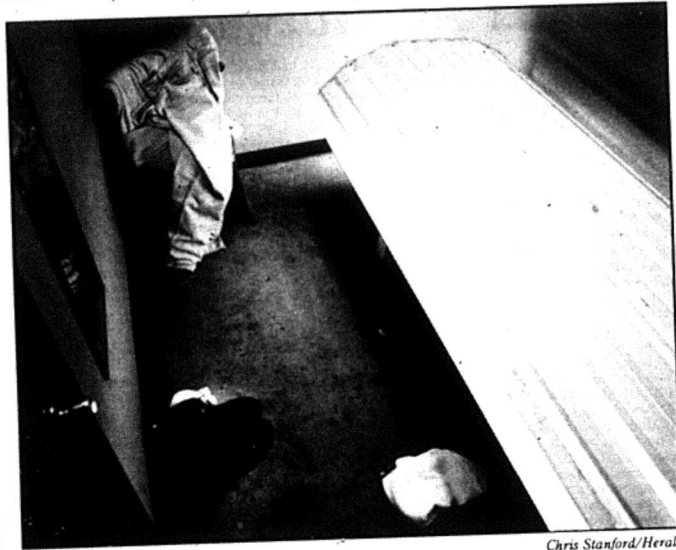
After Samuel's death, Tristan and Alfred return home to a distraught Susannah. Once again, Alfred is undone by his brother when Susannah chooses Tristan instead of him. Although the love affair between Tristan and Susannah is key in the movie, the real love story is between the two brothers. The director, Edward Zwick, seems to be comparing the jealousies and injustices of family life to those in the real world.

"Legends of the Fall" also addresses the horrors of war, racism and of "loving not wisely, but too well." The strength of family bonds are tested, and just when you think they will break, they pull together. The only real letdown in this compelling story is that Susannah, at first portrayed as an independent, free-thinker, becomes more of a possession of the brothers than a real person as the story develops.

"Legends of the Fall" is two hours of messy emotions—love, hate, jealousy and passion.

The family does not live happily ever after. But, more importantly, it survives. And even though it is set in the early 1900s, "Legends" addresses many issues about society, love and humanity that we face today.

Definitely see this movie. You will get involved. You will need Kleenex.



Chris Stanford/Herald

Laying in: With his clothing scattered about the room, Nashville senior Kevin Norris tanned at Beach Bum Tanning Salon recently. Norris goes twice a week for 30 minutes each visit. "I have to visit so often to keep color in my skin," Norris said. "And if I didn't, I would look like I was dead."

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Sports

Lady Tops ready for Top 10 clash

◆ Ninth-ranked Western will host fourth-ranked Louisiana Tech at 2:30 Sunday afternoon in Diddle Arena

BY DAN HIEB

The Lady Toppers went into last night's game against South Alabama with a 3-0 record, a No. 9 ranking in the country and a place in Western's record books for the best start in school history.

Then they showed why. The Lady Toppers (14-0) trounced South Alabama (4-10) 113-45 last night in front of 1,694 fans in Diddle Arena. The win was the fifth-most lopsided victory in Lady Topper history.

Western led the entire game, with senior forward Ida Bowen scoring the first points off an assist by junior guard Dawn Warner after South Alabama turned the ball over on its first possession. That set the tone for the entire game.

South Alabama turned the ball over 33 times despite Western's relaxation of its press. "We didn't press much because we didn't want to rub it in," Lady Topper coach Paul Sanderford said. "I've been on the receiving end of some of those games."

The Lady Jaguars were hurt when their leading scorer, junior forward Phyllis Kelly, went down with a badly sprained ankle just two minutes into the game.

"The game got a little sloppy for us, but they continued to play well," Lady Jaguar coach Butch Stockton said. "They played really good defense and didn't give us any easy shots. Western is a deep team."

Every Lady Topper scored with senior guard Veronica Cook leading the way with 19 points. Senior center Tara Cosby added 17 and Bowen and junior forward Michelle Reed each scored 16 points.

"Coming into this game, I was a little worried that our girls would be looking too much at the Louisiana Tech game and wouldn't remember to take care of business tonight," Sanderford said. "But having five seniors and a lot of other girls who have been in this position before, they made sure they were ready to play."

The Lady Toppers took care of business by sinking 62.9 percent of their shots and turning the ball over just twelve times while racking up 28 assists.

Team looks ahead

Western is now ready to focus their full attention on fourth-ranked Louisiana Tech.

"We're playing with a lot of confidence. We're playing together right now," Bowen said. "All the girls are pumped up, because they came in here during the Sun Belt Conference."

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Stefanie Boyar/Herald

Freshman guard Laurie Townsend runs over Chris McClammy of South Alabama during last night's game in Diddle Arena. The Lady Toppers ran their record to 14-0 with the 113-45 victory.

Western taking win streak to Louisiana

BY MICHAEL SCOTT

Jim Wooldridge said he isn't optimistic.

The first year Louisiana Tech basketball coach is preparing his team for tonight's game against a Western squad he feels has hit its stride.

"They're the best team in the league," Wooldridge said. "They're emerging."

In their last three games they seem to have found their niche.

◆ The Top-pers lead the Sun Belt with a 5-1 conference record

The Hilltoppers (9-2, 5-1 Sun Belt) will play the Bulldogs (8-5, 3-2) at 7 p.m. in the Thomas Assembly Center in Ruston, La. Handling Western's pressing defense is one of several of Wooldridge's concerns.

"We've seen a lot of press, but Western Kentucky's seems the most effective," he said. "They press to wear you down."

Wooldridge said he will find most team's strength and work against it. He said that's hard to do against the Toppers.

"We try to take a team out of the dimension they do well," Wooldridge said. "Western Kentucky has multiple dimensions. They're very difficult to defend."

The Bulldogs are led by sophomore Doug Annison. The 6'5 forward averages 17.8 points and 7.1 rebounds a game. Junior guard Troy Taylor averages 12.8 points.

After going 2-25 last season, Jerry Loyd resigned as head coach at Louisiana Tech. Wooldridge, who led Southwest Texas State to the NCAA Tournament last season, was hired with

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Recruiting 'most important' in programs' success

BY KAREN BROWN

Along with teaching new plays and techniques, recruiting has become a top priority among collegiate coaches.

Limited funds have cut recruitment down to a minimum for some programs. Since Western's emphasis is on men's and women's basketball, those two programs get the most money, said Associate Athletics Director Pam Herriford.

She said the teams' budgets are allocated on a priority-and-need-based system.

"For us to compete, we have to get the players," Lady Topper coach Paul Sanderford said. Sanderford said that while

most Top 25 programs spend between \$30,000 and \$55,000 on recruitment, his program spends less than \$22,000.

Most of his expenditures are from travel, he said.

Assistant women's basketball coach Mary Taylor Cowles said the Lady Toppers recruiting costs were up this year. Of the seven players being recruited, only one is from Kentucky. Cowles said the Lady Toppers' recruiting procedure is a long process.

◆ There is a general mailing to each athlete to let them know what is going on with the team.

◆ Then the athletes are broken down into groups, and the coaches write them a letter.

◆ As a junior, a coach can watch the athlete play twice.
◆ As a senior, a coach will go

◆ "Overall, it's amazing how well our programs recruit..."

— Joel Murrie
baseball coach

to watch them play summer basketball and make a home visit. Also, the athlete will take an

official campus visit, which involves either a plane ticket or mileage, lodging and food.

◆ Then there is more correspondence with the athlete.

Men's coach Matt Kileculion said the majority of his program's budget goes to recruiting.

"We need the players, and we recruit nationwide," he said.

Herriford said state funds cannot be used for recruiting, so the teams depend on the Hilltopper Athletics Foundation.

In the spring, the coaches tell the athletics administration what their needs are for the upcoming season.

Once the HAF budget is complete, the administration distributes the funds, Herriford

said. In 1993-1994, \$740,536 were spent by sports sponsored by the Sun Belt Conference. Barry Brickman, associate athletics director, said about \$15,000 more goes for swimming and football, two sports the Sun Belt does not sponsor.

After the coaches get their budgets, it is their discretion how the money will be spent, Herriford said.

Non-revenue sports have tougher time

All of Western's coaches know recruiting's importance even if

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◆ On Deck

Hilltopper Sports Calendar

Today

◆ Intramural basketball league coaches' meeting, 3:30 p.m., Preston Center.

Tomorrow

◆ Intramural racquetball league sign-up deadline

Saturday

◆ Swimming hosts Xavier (Ohio) and Wright State, 1 p.m., Preston Center Pool.

Sunday

◆ Women's basketball hosts Louisiana Tech, 2:30 p.m., Diddle Arena.

CLASH: Rebounding will be key

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Tournament last year and beat us by 25. That doesn't happen in Diddle Arena, so that got everyone upset. We're looking forward to paying them back."

The Lady Techsters (14-2) will bring a veteran squad to Diddle Arena on Sunday for the 2:30 p.m. game.

Louisiana Tech, which missed a national championship by only a fraction of a second last year, is making its first trip to the Hill since last year's Sun Belt Conference tournament.

Tech beat Western two other times last year, one an 87-82 overtime win in Diddle and the other an 82-50 spanking in Ruston, La.

"I have tremendous respect for their team and their program," Sanderford said.

One of the keys for Western will be to stop the Techsters' offensive rebounding, Sanderford said.

"They're a great rebounding team," he said. "They hit the offensive boards really hard. They've got those two 6-4 kids and two forwards who really hit the offensive boards well. We can't afford to give them second and third shots."

The Lady Toppers might have to get the job done without senior center Lori Abell.

Abell, who averages 5.5 rebounds per game, broke her left hand and is doubtful for Sunday's game.

Unfortunately, concentration on the boards could also leave more operating room for the Techsters' outstanding guards, senior Vickie Johnson and junior Debra Williams.

Johnson comes into the game averaging 16.6 points per game on 55 percent field goal shooting. Williams adds 14.9 points a game for Louisiana Tech and gives the

team a formidable three point threat.

"They have outstanding guards," Sanderford said. "They'll be tough, but we're going to try to play our game."

Although many consider Tech's team to be even better than it was last year, Sanderford said he thinks Western will fare better than they did a year ago.

"I think we're a much better team than we were at this point in time last year," he said. "Our guard play has improved a lot."

Western's guard play could be a major factor if the Lady Toppers are to beat Louisiana Tech. In the two blowouts last year, Tech enjoyed an average 12.5 turnover margin over the Lady Tops.

The one game that Western handled Tech's pressure defense, turning the ball over just twelve times, Louisiana Tech barely escaped with an overtime victory.

Warner is looking forward to the game.

"Whatever I say is an understatement," she said. "It's not just another game for us. They came in here twice and beat us last year, and we owe one to them to an extent, but we really owe ourselves. We're going to put up a good fight and hopefully we'll win."

Warner hopes that Western will be able to take advantage of Tech's defense over-committing.

"I hope our defense affects Western, but with Dawn Warner playing well, it might not be as effective," Tech Coach Leon Barmore said.

Defense and rebounding are going to be the keys to winning for Louisiana Tech, he said.

"Western is an exceptional offensive team," Barmore said. "They can put up a lot of points and if we want to beat them we're going to have to play outstanding

defense. We also have to keep them from controlling the boards."

Despite the return of four Tech starters from last year's team, Barmore doesn't expect a repeat performance of last year's two lopsided wins.

"They're good. They're undefeated. They're ranked ninth in the country," he said. "We're going to have two good teams playing Sunday. It's a good rivalry."

Barmore also looks forward to playing in Diddle, despite his team's 2-3 record in the arena.

"I enjoy playing in Diddle," he said. "They've got great fans. They really get into it."

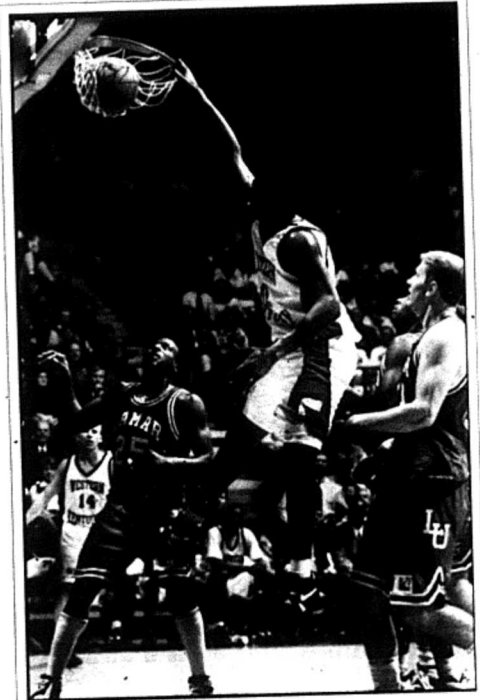
South Alabama (45)

Jones 28 5-8-9, Kelly 0-1 0-0-0, T. Carter 4-13 2-4-10, Harris 1-6-0-0, McClammy 3-8 0-1-7, J. Gamble 0-4 1-2-1, J. Carter 0-1 0-1-0, Ronquillo 2-4 2-2-7, Rigby 3-8 0-0-7, Lampton 1-2 0-0-2.

Western (113)

Bowen 7-11 2-2-16, Doyle 5-11 2-4-12, Cosby 7-10 3-4-17, Warner 0-2 2-2-2, Cook 8-11 1-2-19, Heikkila 3-4 1-2-8, Townsend 2-3 2-3-6, Allen 3-3 0-0-6, Reed 6-7 3-7-16, Ashby 2-4 1-2-5, S. Gamble 1-4 4-7-6.

Halftime—Western 52, South Alabama 20. 3-point goals—South Alabama 3-17 (McClammy 1-4, Ronquillo 1-3, Rigby 1-3, Harris 0-3, J. Gamble 0-4), Western 4-10 (Cook 2-3, Heikkila 1-2, Reed 1-1, Warner 0-2, Townsend 0-1, S. Gamble 0-1). Fouled out—McClammy. Rebounds—South Alabama 34 (Carter 8), Western 45 (Cosby 9). Assists—South Alabama 5 (Jones, T. Carter, Harris, J. Carter and Rigby 1), Western 28 (Warner 7). A-1,694



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Revenge on minds of swim team's rivals

BY PATRICK BERNARDY

Saturday's double dual swim meet against Wright State and Xavier (Ohio) has Coach Bill Powell worried.

"I need to go over this meet with the team," Powell said. "It's not going to be easy, even though we beat them (Wright State) last year."

The visiting Raiders will provide a real test for the 80 Hilltoppers, something Powell said they have not had this year.

"They have revenge on their mind," Powell said. "We have just switched roles from last year."

Last year's upset win in Dayton, Ohio, got Western rolling into the postseason, where the team took second in the Eastern Intercollegiate Championships.

"There's no question that that meet had a lot to do with our success last year," Powell said. "This has become a really great rivalry."

The rivalry began when the captain of Powell's 1978 team, Jeff Cavana, became the coach at Wright State and turned the program around.

"They have just got an excel-

lent program up there," Powell said.

The other visitor to the Preston Health and Activities Center pool will be Xavier, a 69-52 loser to Western earlier this season.

Powell said the Musketeers shouldn't be a factor.

"I hate to say this, but we should beat them pretty handily," he said. "Us and Wright State will be the close one."

Wright State also will swim against Xavier.

Powell said he will stick to his normal lineup, but he also will pack in his depth to capitalize on his team's greatest advantage.

"They have great swimmers, and to win the meet we have to take a lot of points," he said. "That's where our depth comes in."

Powell is especially concerned about Wright State's sprinters.

"One of their guys has had better times than Scott (Cummins) in the 1,000 and 500 (yard freestyle)," he said. "I don't know that he's lost this year."

Cummins will be counted on quite a bit to give the team a boost, senior Joel Wihebrink



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Freshman freestyler Brian Howard prepares for Saturday's meet during Tuesday's practice at the Diddle Arena pool.

said.

"Scott will have a tough time in this meet, and that one is going to be the one to see," he said.

Wihebrink said the team has

been following Wright State closely this season.

"We've been looking forward to this all year," he said. "It should come down to the last leg of the last relay."

Powell said his team will ben-

efit from the meet, win or lose.

"It helps sometimes to lose a meet, but we sure don't want it to be this one," he said. "You never want to lose that first one."

SUCCESS: Money a factor for all

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some have limited funding.

Volleyball coach Mark Hardaway said he does not spend as much money as he should on recruiting. Less than 10 percent of his budget goes to recruiting.

"I limit my visits to places that are close," he said. "I don't go too far away to recruit. I stay in the Midwest."

Hardaway also does not subscribe to recruiting magazines because he doesn't have the money.

Often coaches of smaller sports choose to use their funds for things other than recruiting, Herriford said.

"Within our conference, we are one of the lowest-funded programs," Hardaway said. "It will hurt us in the long run. We will fall behind."

Hardaway said he has been fortunate to have talented walk-ons, but three or four years from now that won't be possible.

Other coaches are saying the same thing.

Swimming coach Bill Powell said his recruiting is kept to a minimum.

"I do it almost completely by telephone and letters," he said. "Most of the swimming recruits come in on their own."

Herriford said that Western coaches are extremely resourceful, and each team is

allowed to have one fund-raiser.

The swim team offers swimming lessons to community children as its fund-raiser.

To save dollars, basketball coach Joel Murrie said coaches have to have to organize to be efficient.

Murrie said he tries to get plane tickets for recruits at the lowest fare, feed them on campus, expose them to a student environment and work out trade with area hotels in exchange for advertising.

"Recruiting is the most important part of our job — most demanding, and at times the most frustrating," Murrie said. "Overall it's amazing how well our programs recruit with the number of recruiting dollars."

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"This meet (Arkansas St.) can give us an idea of what might happen," assistant coach Thomas Brown said. "Seeing and running against people in the conference can do nothing but help."

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STREAK: Reserve keys win

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little pressure to be successful this season.

"We wanted to approach this season with not a lot of expectations," he said. "We wanted our guys to play hard and play together — control what we can control. We're starting from scratch."

The Bulldogs have exceeded expectations, despite being picked to finish near the bottom of the conference after losing all its Sun Belt games last year. Their three conference wins include a 65-63 home win over second-place Jacksonville.

"They're much improved from last year," Western associate head coach Glynn Cyprien said. "It's going to be a fight for us. It's going to be a big trip for us."

After tonight's game, the Toppers will travel to Lafayette, La., to face Southwestern Louisiana, a team they defeated 83-74 at home Jan. 7. Game time is set for 7:05 p.m. Saturday.

Lewis leads Western

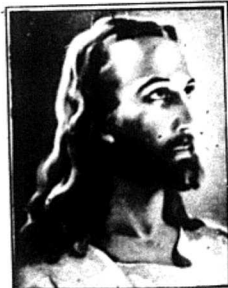
The Toppers got their fifth conference win of the season Monday night, defeating Lamar 95-61 in Diddle Arena. Sophomore guard Andre Lewis scored 21 points and had seven rebounds, both career highs, to lead Western.

"Coach said, in order to win, we had to hit the open jumper," Lewis said. "I usually come out to play defense and rebound. Tonight I took the shot with confidence."

Lewis was 7-8 from the field, including 5-6 from the three point line.

Head Coach Matt Kilcullen said the Hilltoppers have an uncommon chemistry that he feels has led to Western's current seven-game winning streak.

"The team has really come along," he said. "It's the first team I've been with that everyone likes each other. They're doing a great job playing as a team."



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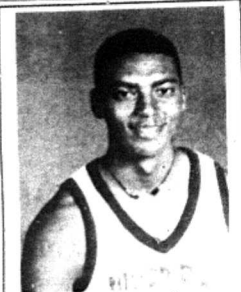
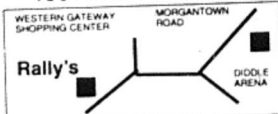
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